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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SUPPORTING MEASUREMENT OF OBJECT
TO BE MEASURED

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

This Request is response to the Office Action dated December 14, 2004, and is believed to be fully responsive to each point of the rejection raised therein. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance of all the claims are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Claims 1-15 are all of the claims pending in the application.

On pages 2-4, the Office Action rejects claims 1, 4, 7, 12, 14 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,600,808 to Takada et al. (hereinafter "Takada"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

The present invention relates to a method and an apparatus for supporting a measurement of an object to be measured, which can easily inspect a measurement part program. Claim 1 recites a shape definition data entering step, a contour shape generating step, a contour shape displaying step, a measurement part program entering step, and a step